

HOW TO USE



You made it to the site, now what?!

Browsing around you will see a number of features, but what are they for and what do they do?

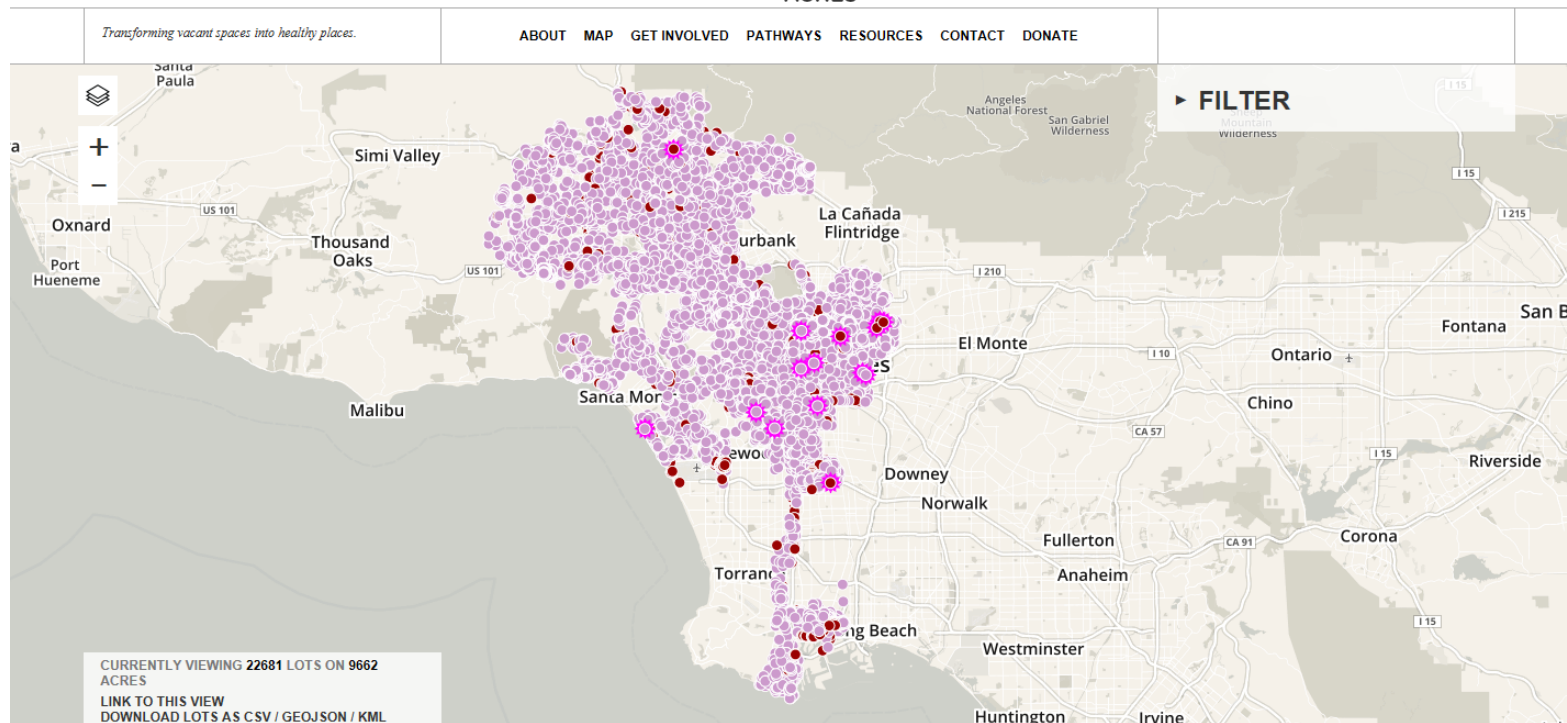
This slideshow will take you through the motions to get you acquainted with LA Open Acres.

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Map Features

Welcome to LAOpenAcres.org!



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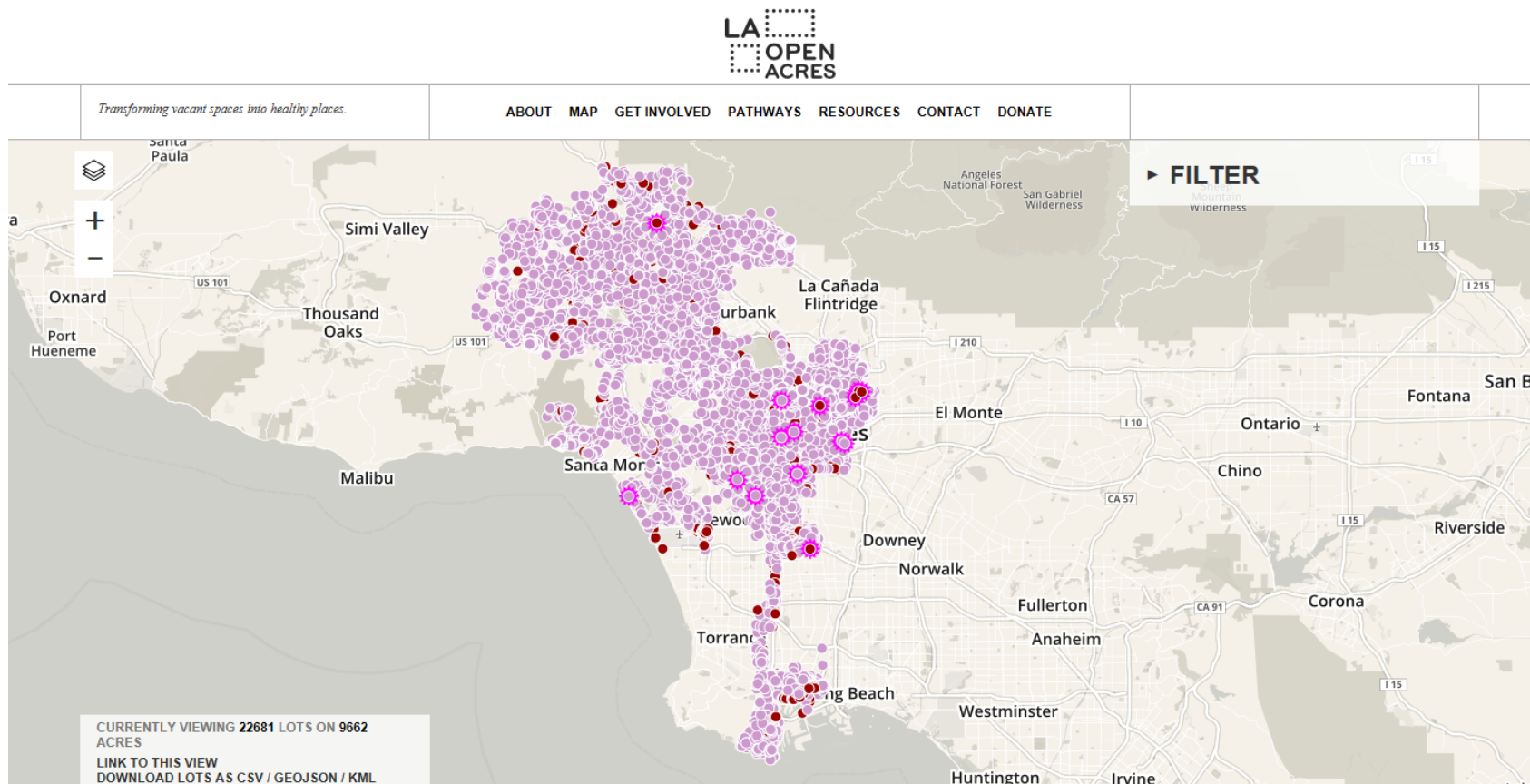
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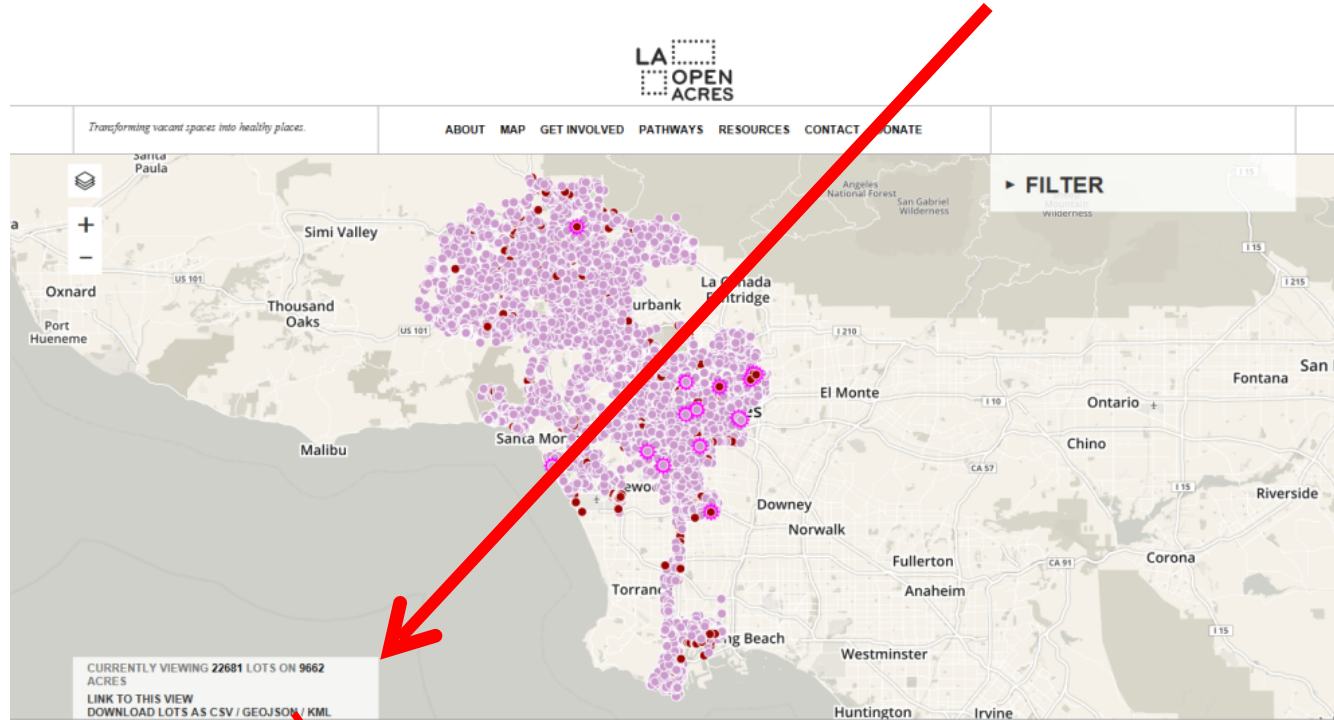
**The most prominent feature is
the map!**

Let's start there...

Here is what you see on the home page when you visit laopenacres.org

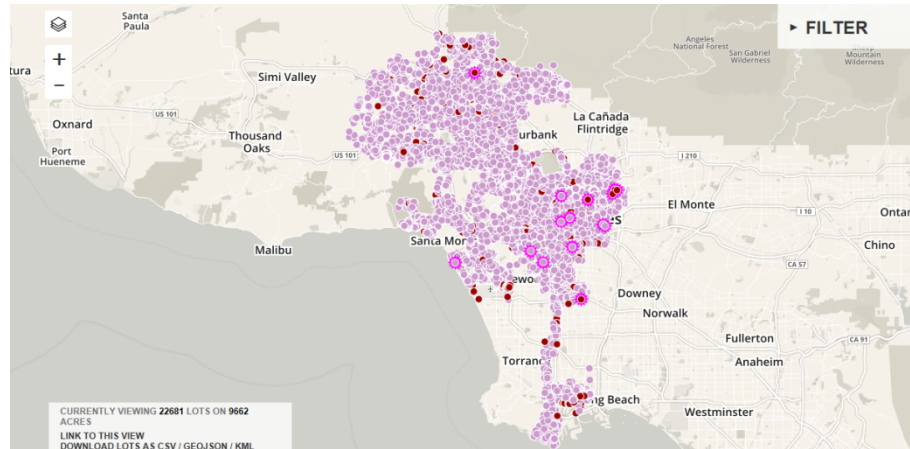


When looking at map in the lower left hand corner of the map you will see this box:



CURRENTLY VIEWING 22681 LOTS ON 9662 ACRES
LINK TO THIS VIEW
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This box summarizes the data that you are viewing on the map.



At the full extent of the map you are viewing all 22,681 lots that we have mapped. In total those lots cover 9662 acres!

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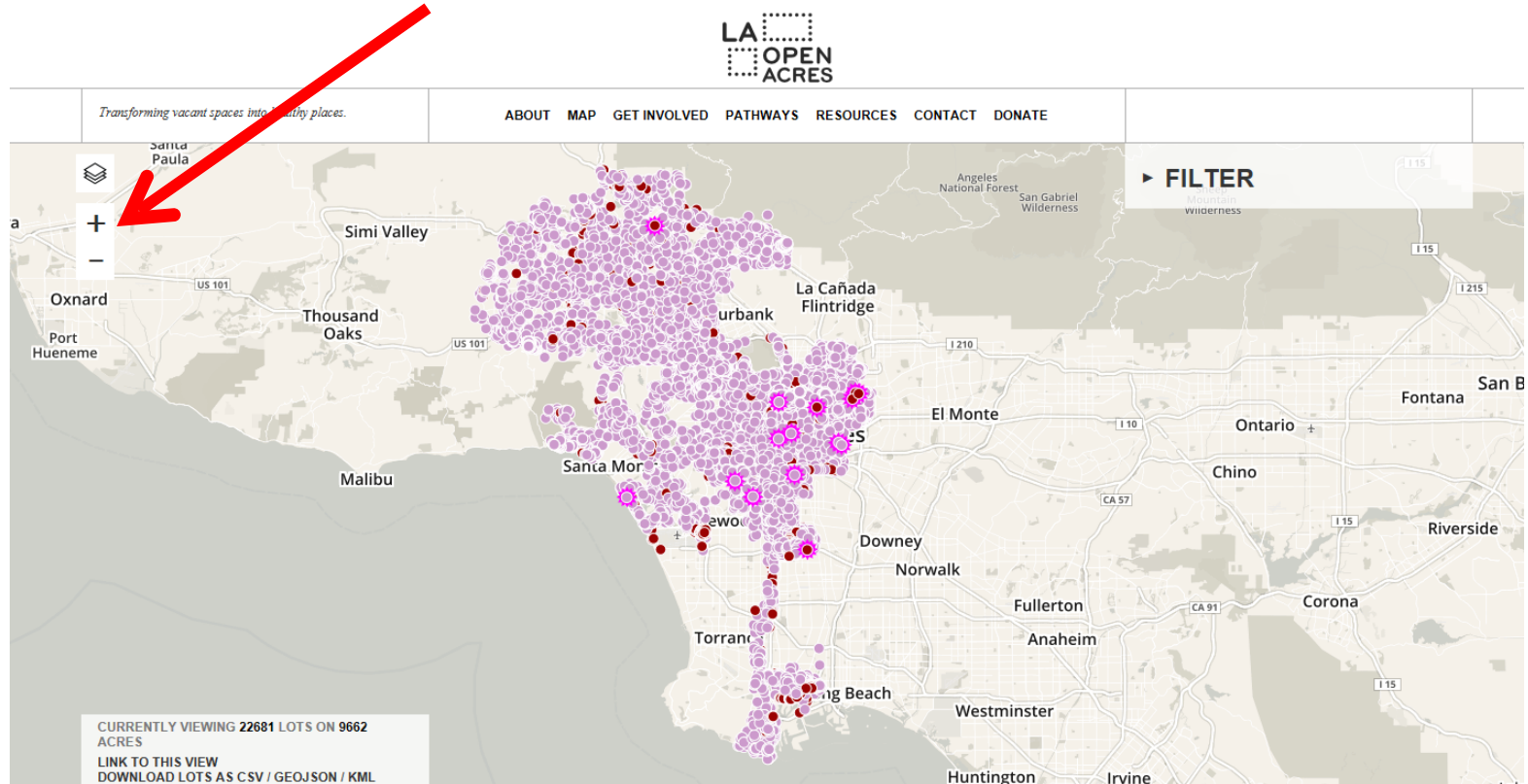
If you want to download the data that you are looking at, you can simply click the links to download either a CSV, GEOJSON, or KML file!

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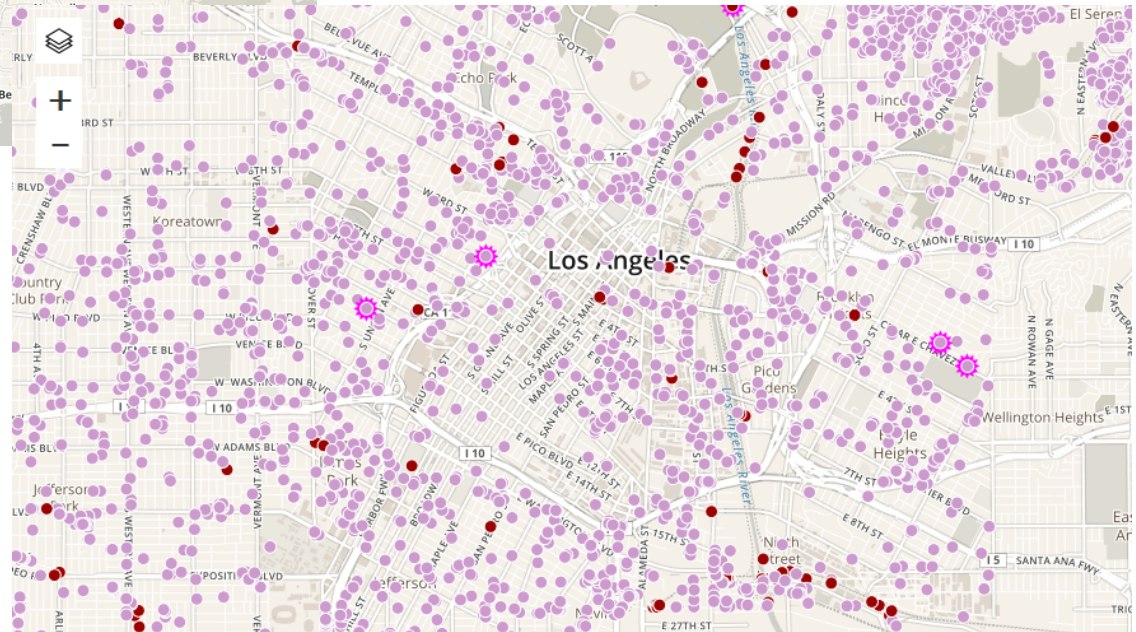
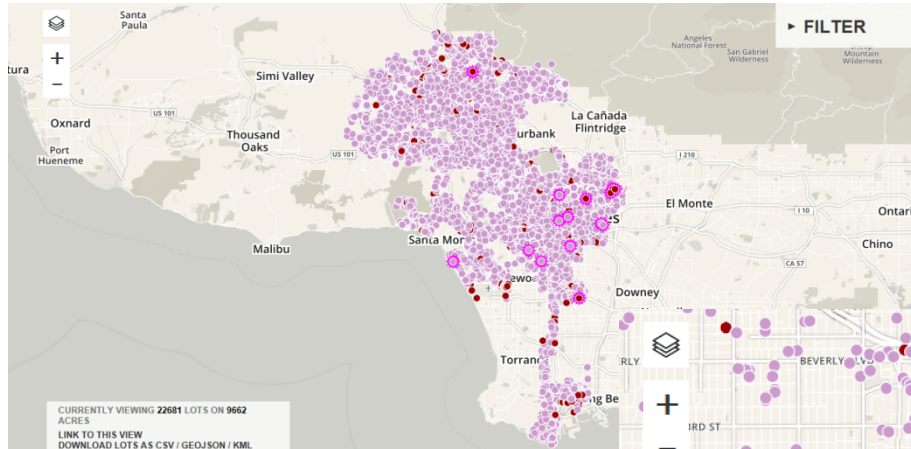
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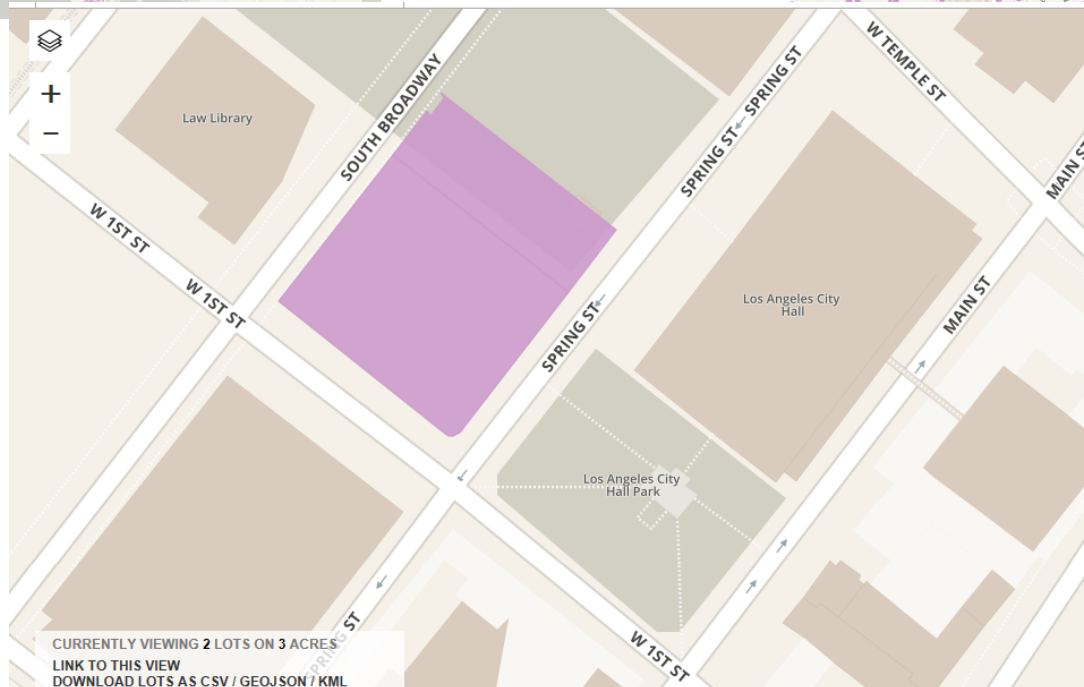
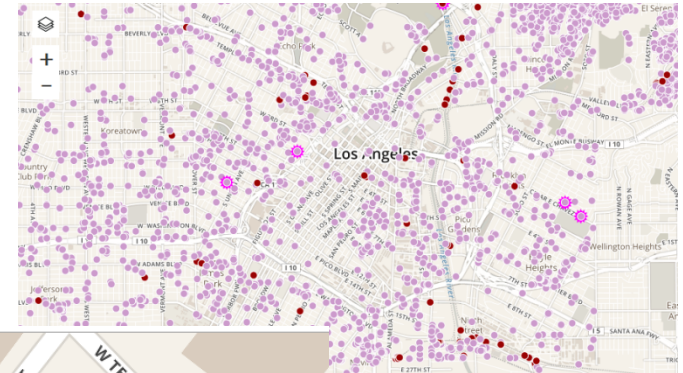
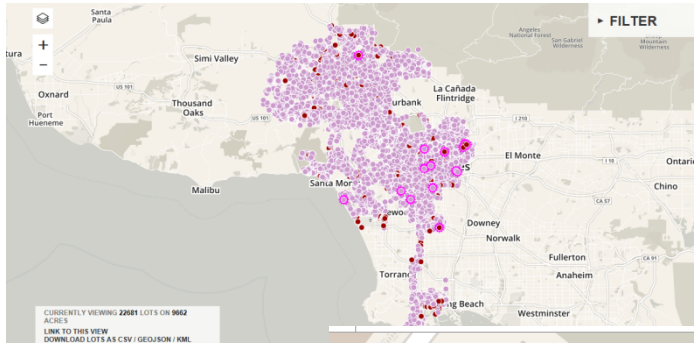
Using the zoom keys, you can get a closer look at what the map has to offer.



Click the **+** to **zoom** in!



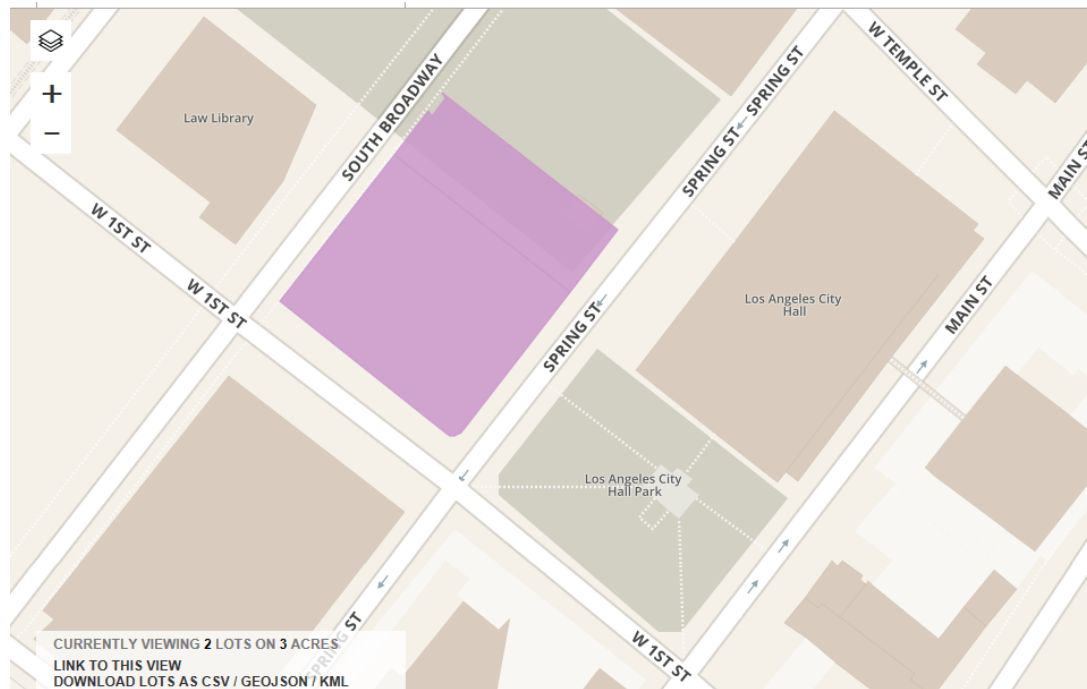
Click the **+** to **zoom** in!
You can keep zooming in until you have located a specific lot.



Great!

You found your lot, but now you want to share the map it with someone else?

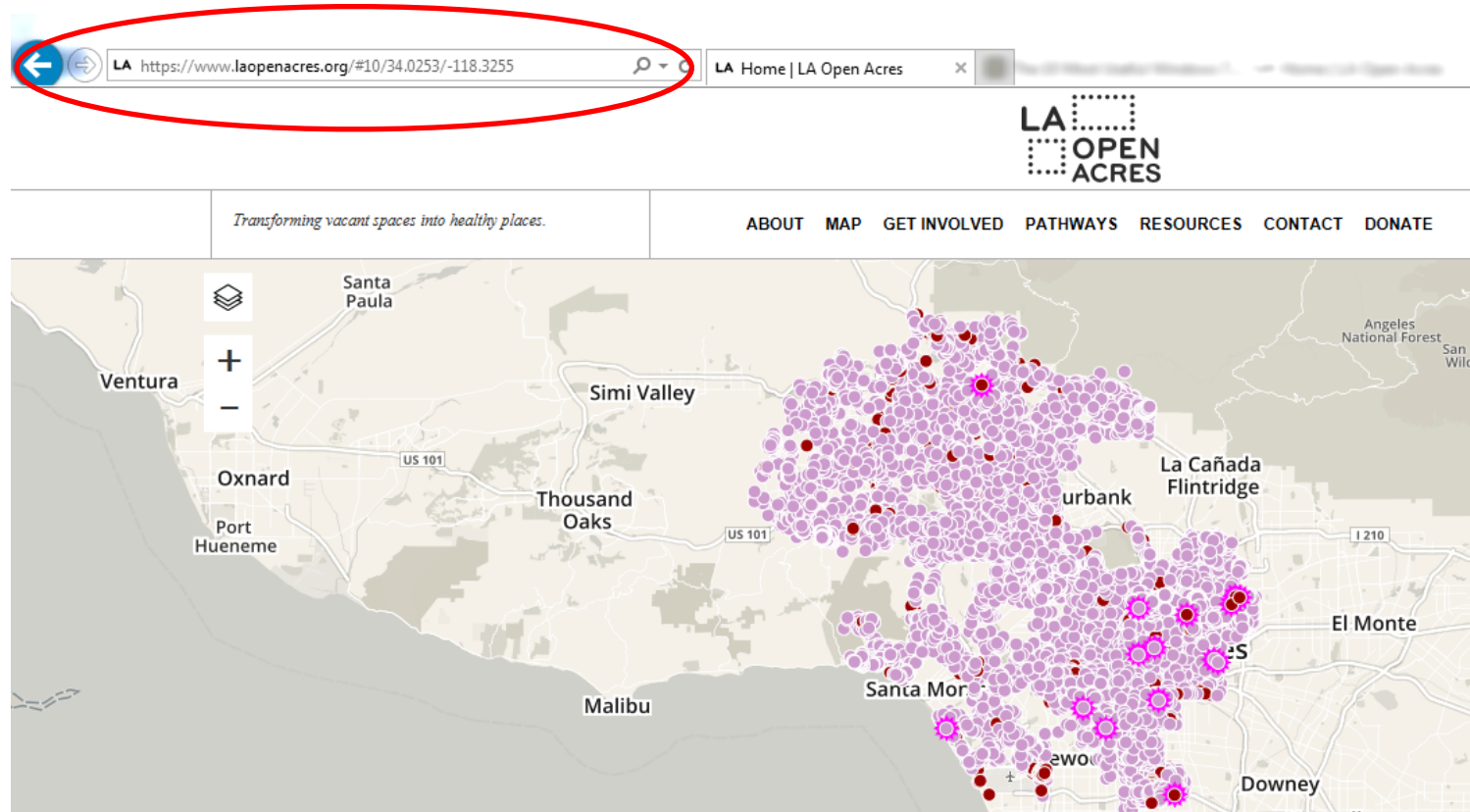
You have a few options...



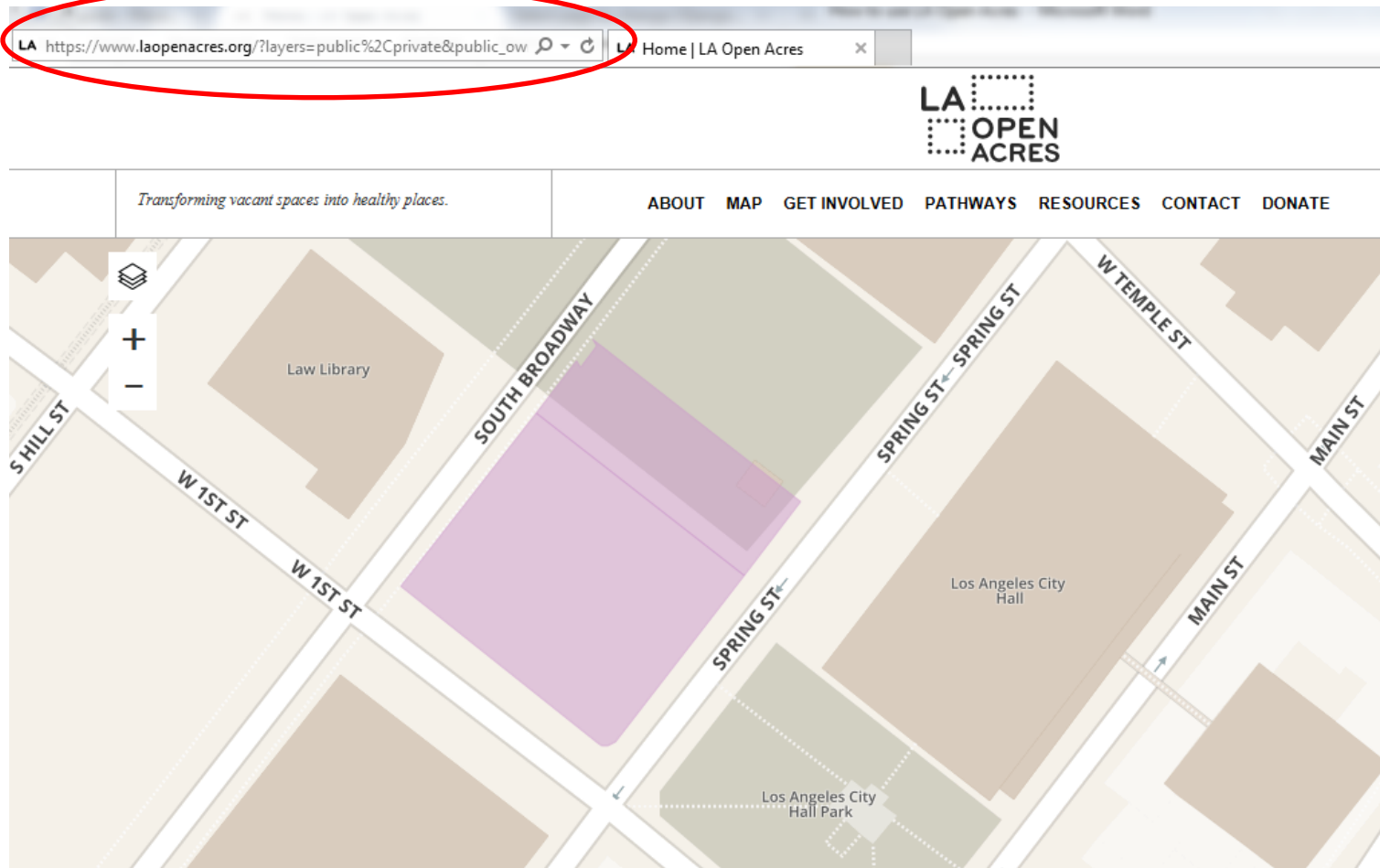
Option #1:

Whenever you use LA Open acres to search for a site, the url to the page updates with geographic information as well as information about the lot.

Here is the url when I am viewing the map on the home page: <https://www.laopenacres.org/#10/34.0253/-118.3255>



Here is the url when I am viewing the map when
zoomed in the vacant lot next to City Hall:
[https://www.laopenacres.org/?layers=public
%2Cprivate&public_owners=&search=#18/34.05345
/-118.24296](https://www.laopenacres.org/?layers=public%2Cprivate&public_owners=&search=#18/34.05345/-118.24296)



If you copy this url, you can share it with other people.

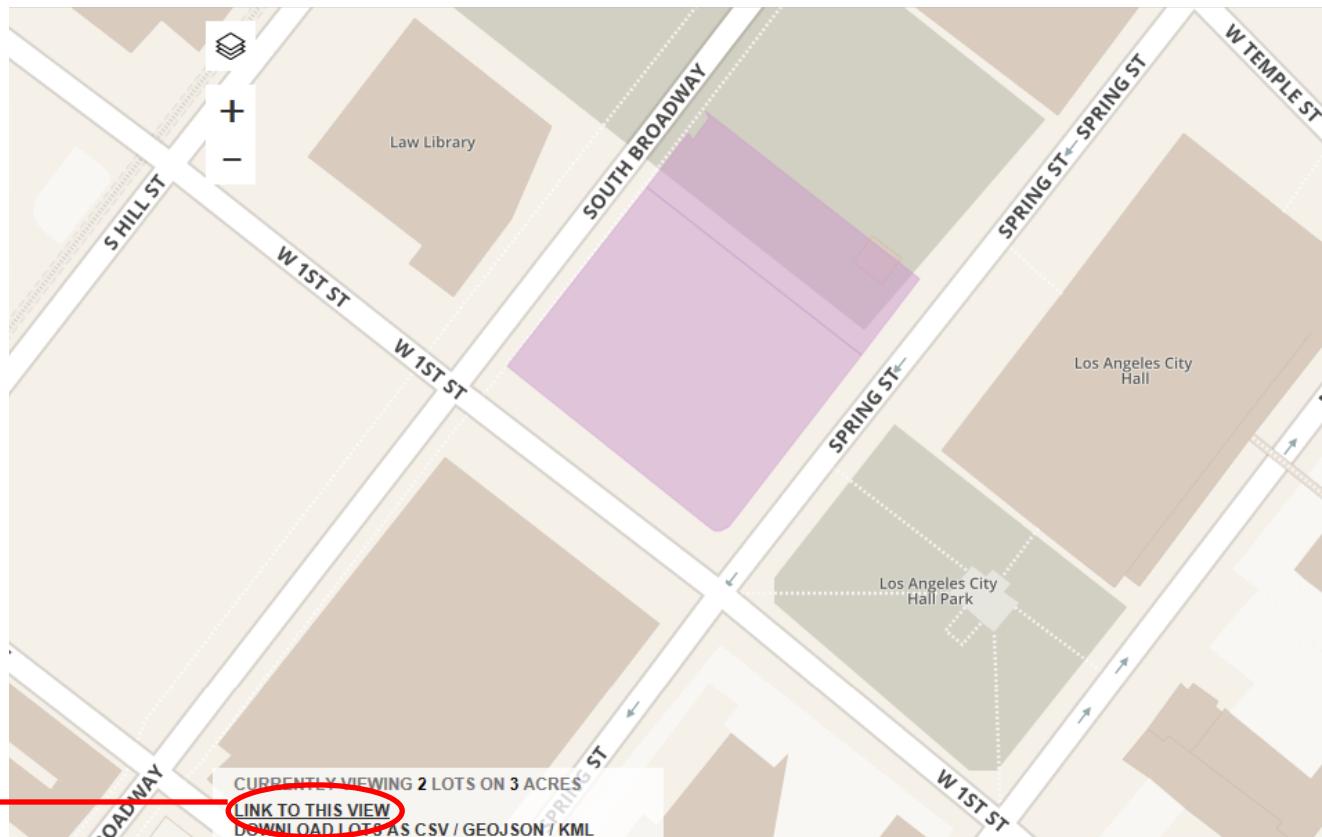
The screenshot displays the LA Open Acres website interface. At the top, a browser address bar shows a URL starting with "LA public%2Cprivate&public_owners=&search=". A context menu is open over a purple-highlighted lot on the map, listing options: Undo, Cut, Copy (highlighted), Paste, Delete, Select All, Right to left Reading order, Show Unicode control characters, Insert Unicode control character, Open IME, and Reconversion. The map shows streets including W 1st St, Spring St, Main St, and W Temple St. Landmarks like Los Angeles City Hall and Los Angeles City Hall Park are labeled. The LA Open Acres logo is in the top right, and a navigation menu includes MAP, GET INVOLVED, PATHWAYS, RESOURCES, CONTACT, and DONATE. A bottom overlay states "CURRENTLY VIEWING 2 LOTS ON 3 ACRES" and provides links to "LINK TO THIS VIEW" and "DOWNLOAD LOTS AS CSV / GEOJSON / KML".

Option #2:

You can also hover over “Link To This View” and a link will appear at the bottom of the page giving you the link.

Option #3:

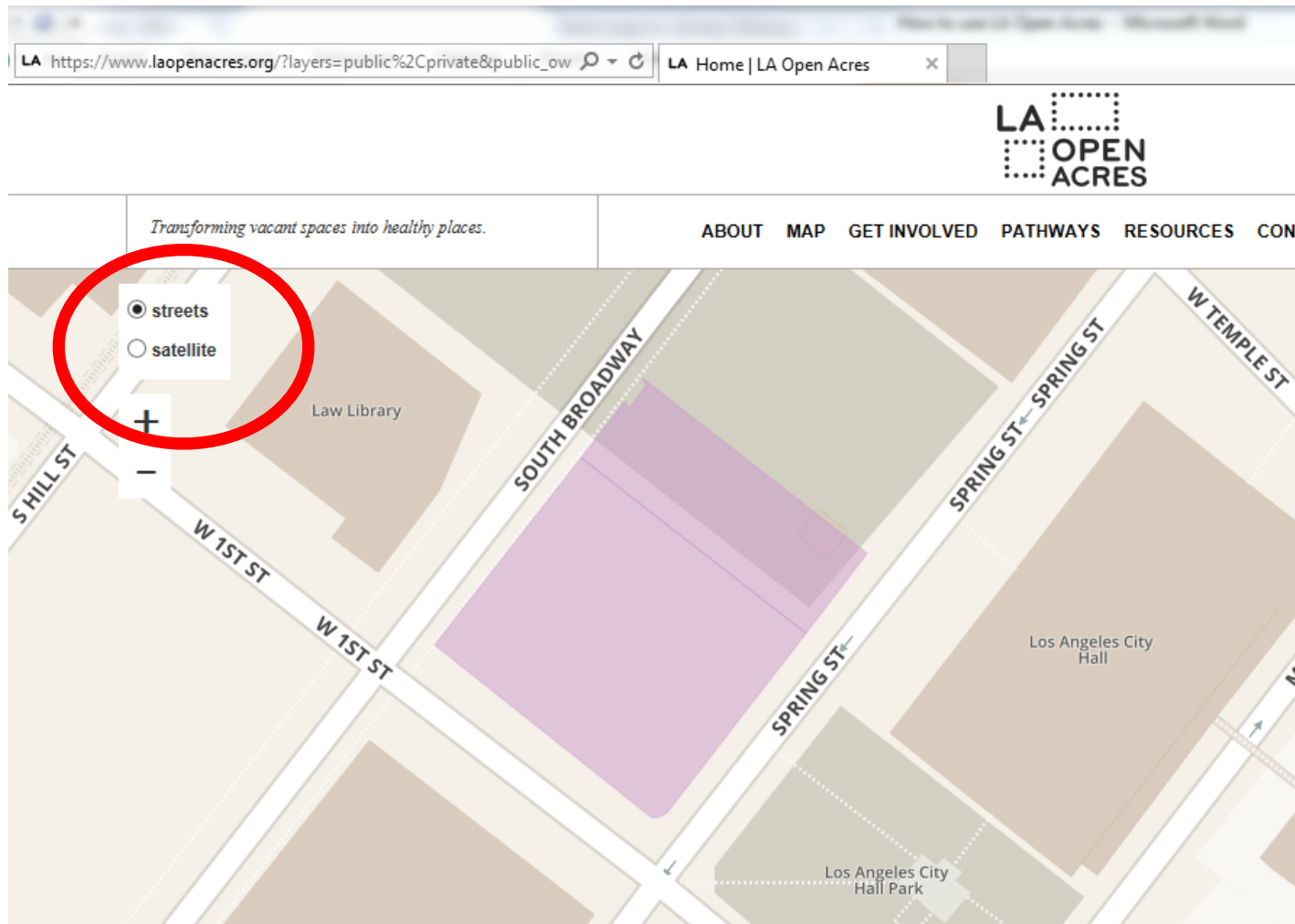
If you right-click “Link To This View” you can open the link in a new window and simply copy and paste the link.



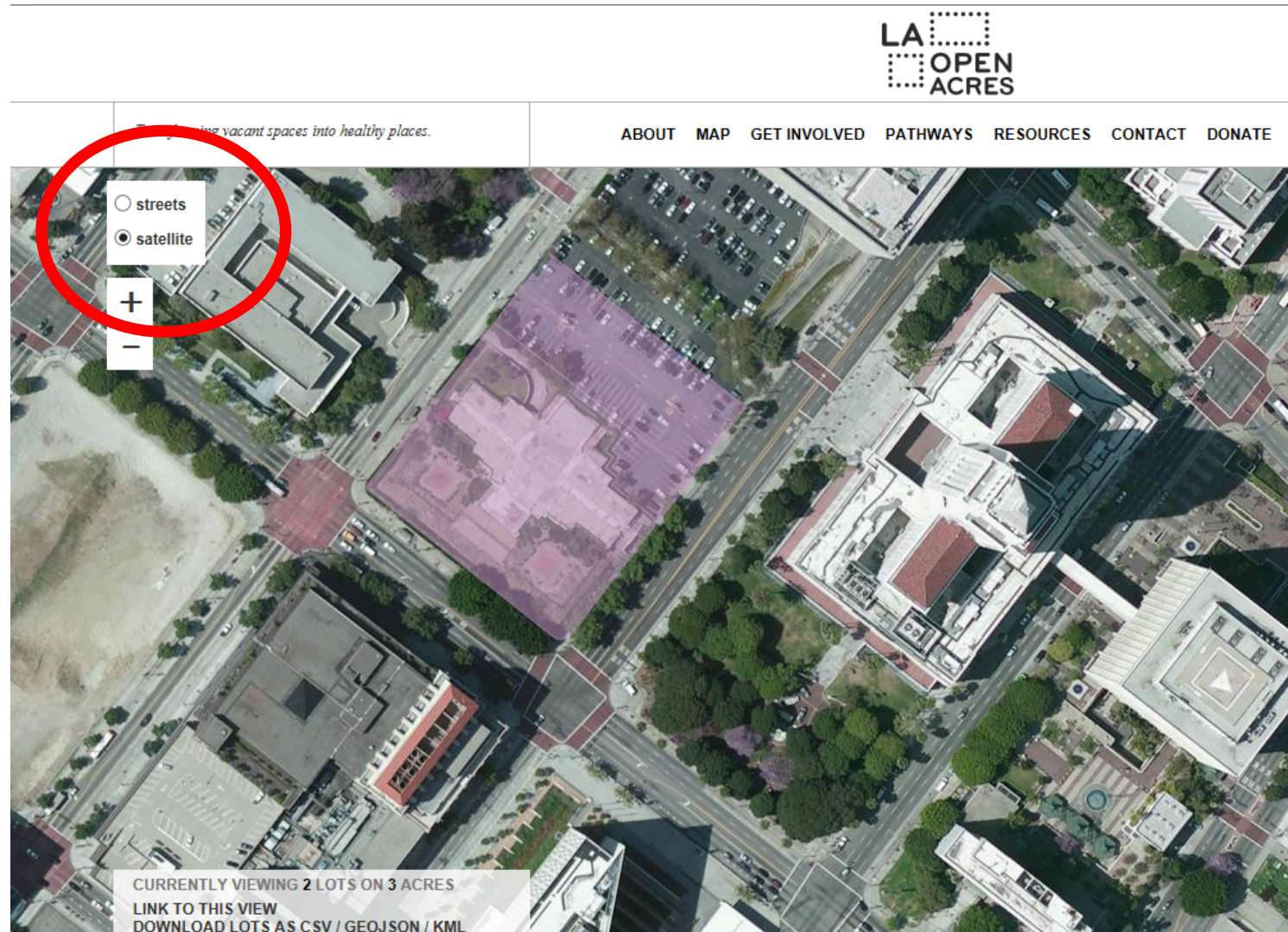
**So far, you can zoom in and out, view
information about the map and share views of
the map.**

**You want to take a look at the surroundings?
You can!**

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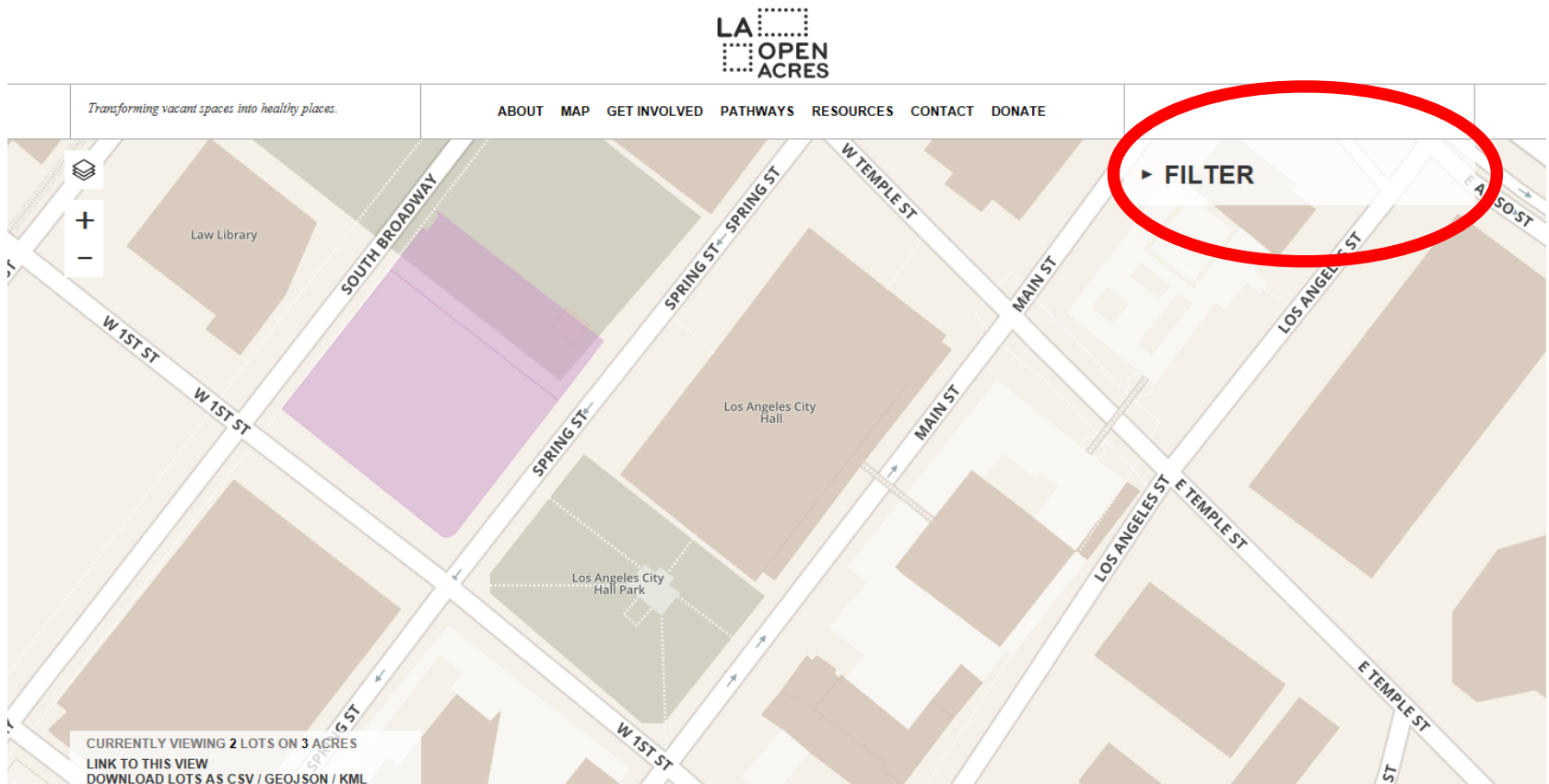


Now the fun part!

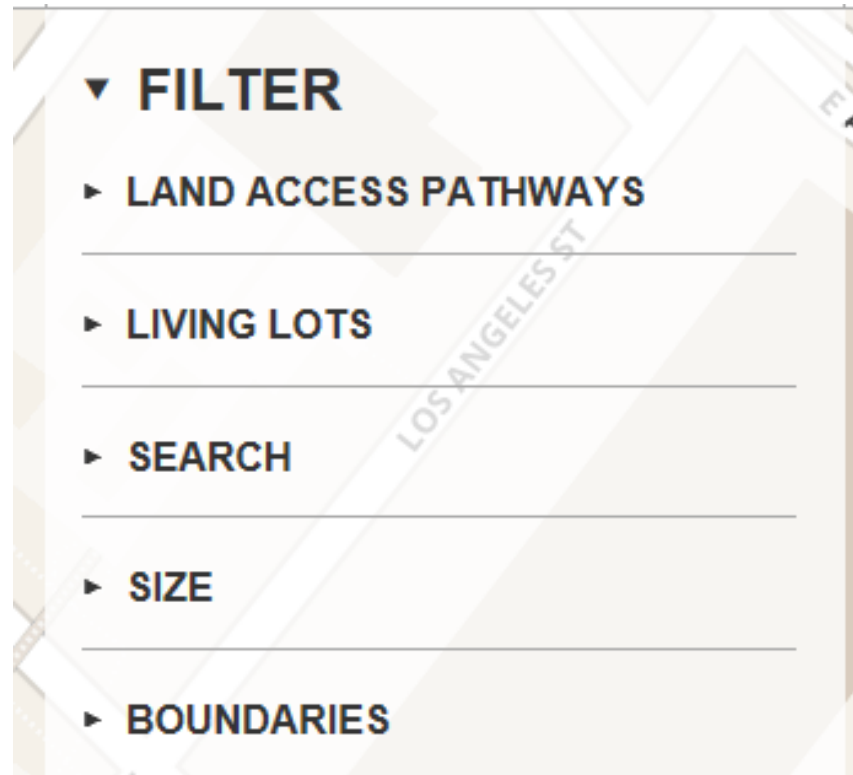
It's time for more in-depth analysis of the lots...

Looking at the right hand side of the map, you will see “Filter”.

Here you can perform searches of vacant lots that meet criteria that you are interested in.



To expand the menu, simply click on the Filter box, which will reveal several filters for you to choose from.



Let's look at "Land Access Pathways".

Land Access Pathways provides a way for you to view the publicly and privately own vacant lots in your map view. You can toggle between the two to see the lots independently of each other.

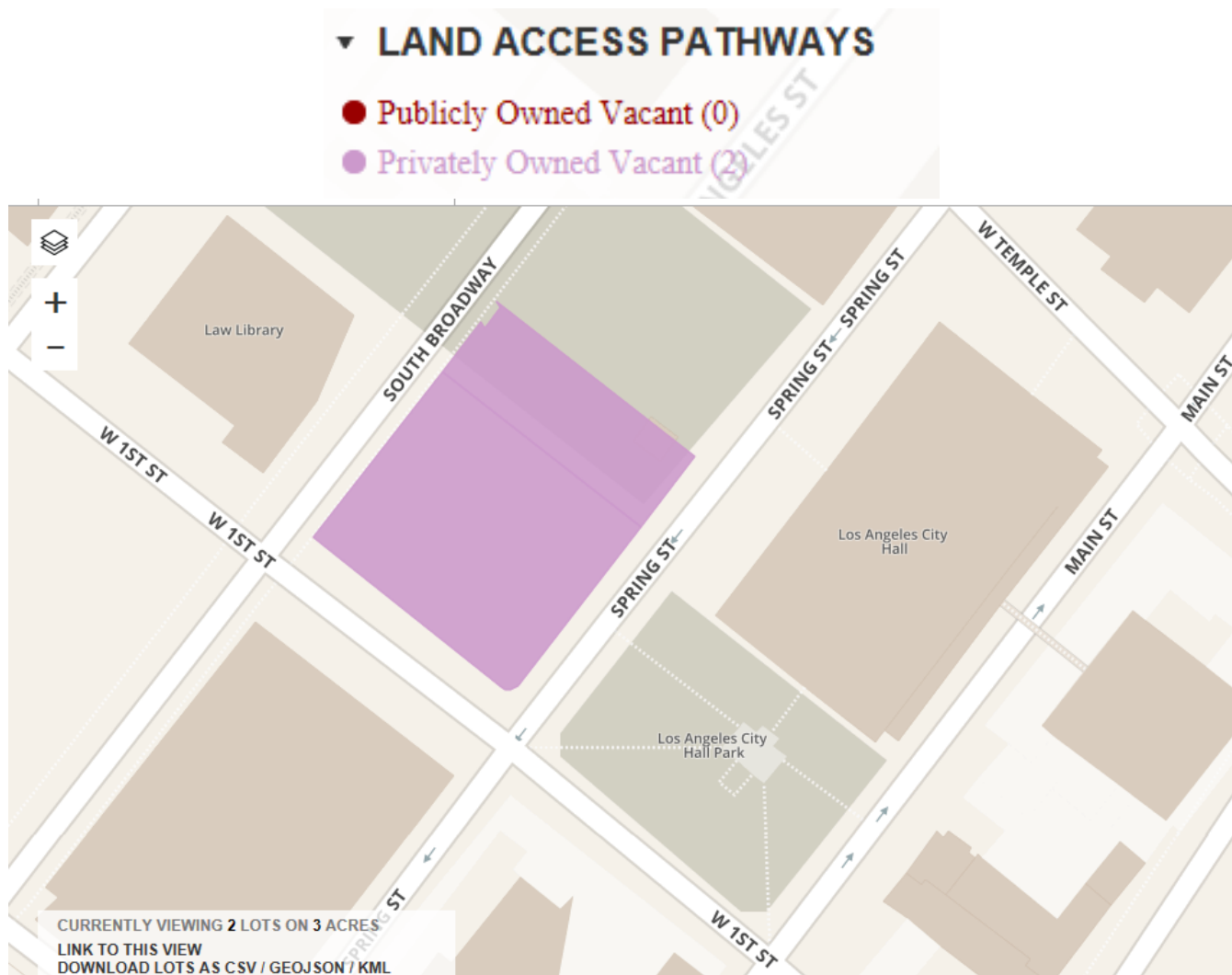
Expanding the Land Access Pathways menu option reveals a legend listing Publicly Owned Vacant Land as well as Privately Owned Vacant Land.

▼ LAND ACCESS PATHWAYS

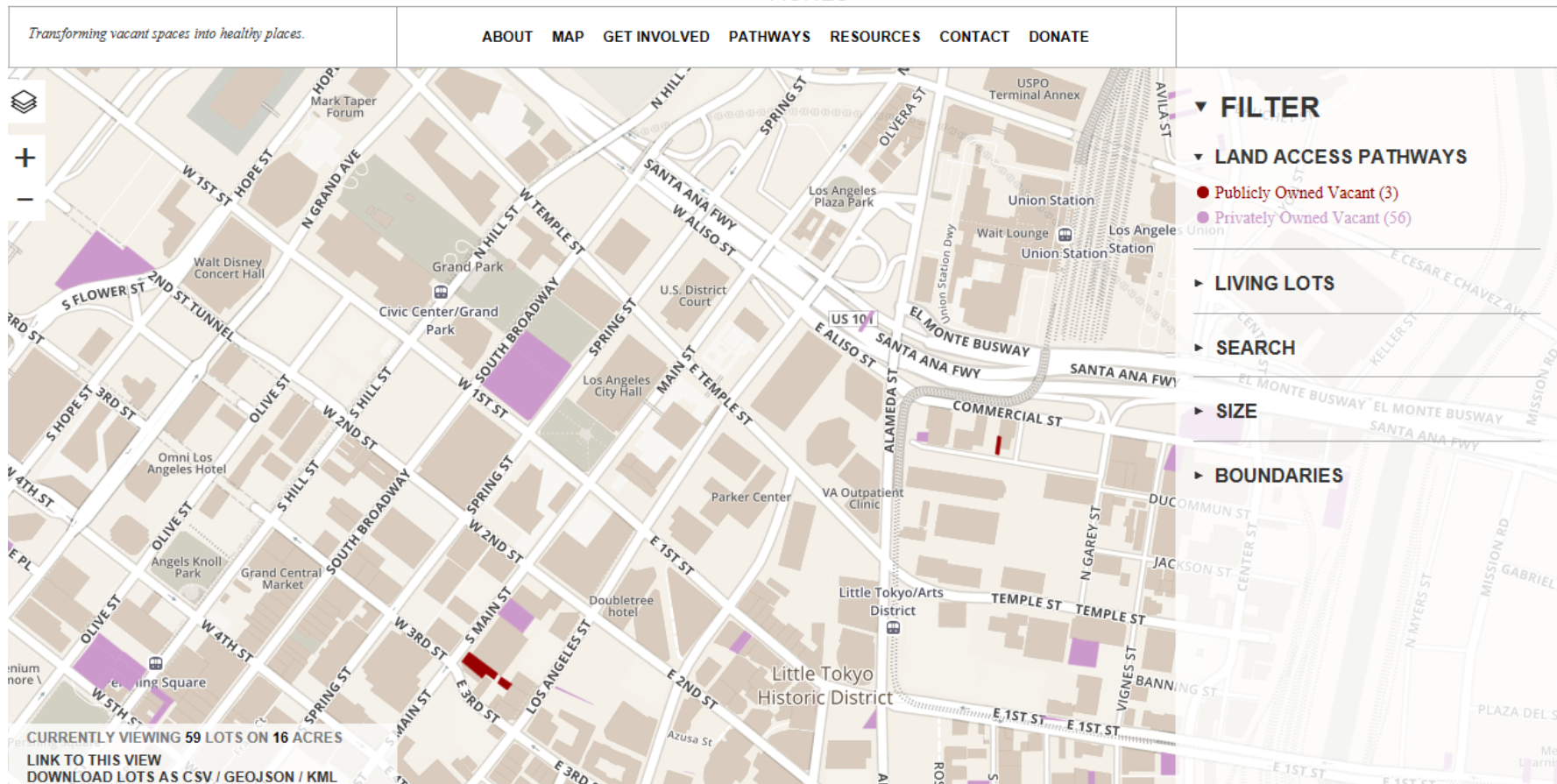
● Publicly Owned Vacant (0)

● Privately Owned Vacant (2)

The legend will show the vacant lots in your current view. Because I am still zoomed into City Hall, my legend reports that there are no publicly owned lots just 2 privately owned lots that are adjacent to each other.



If I zoom out, my legend will show corresponding information. At this level there are 3 publicly owned lots and 56 privately owned lots.



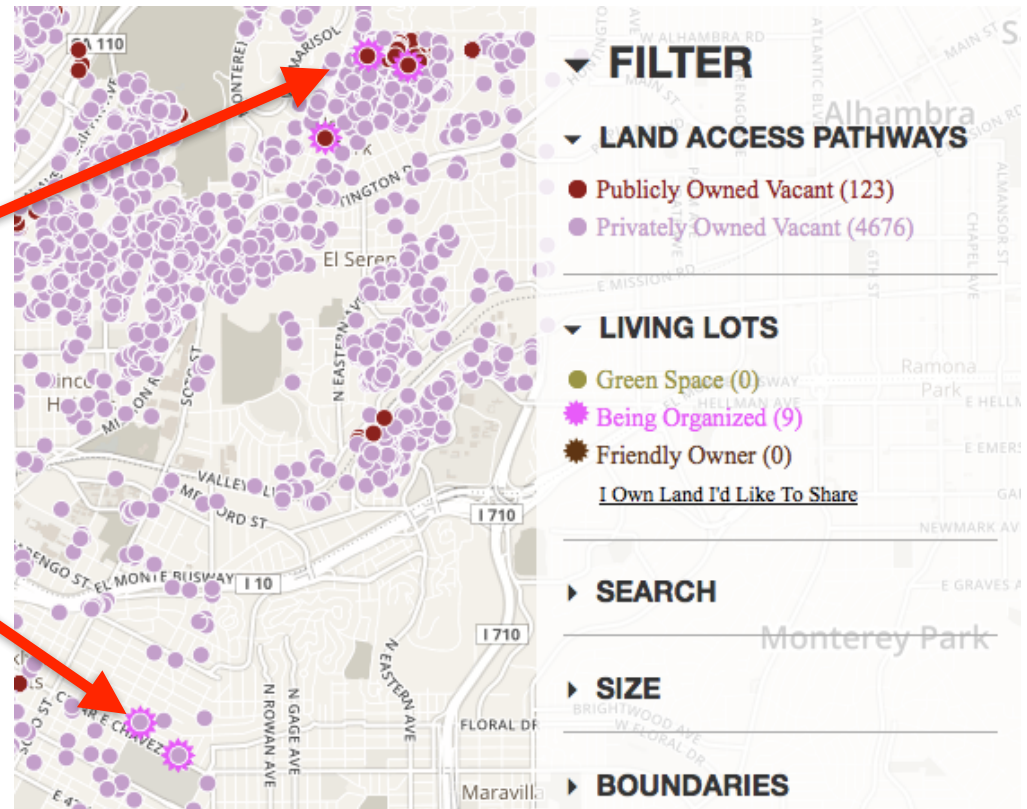
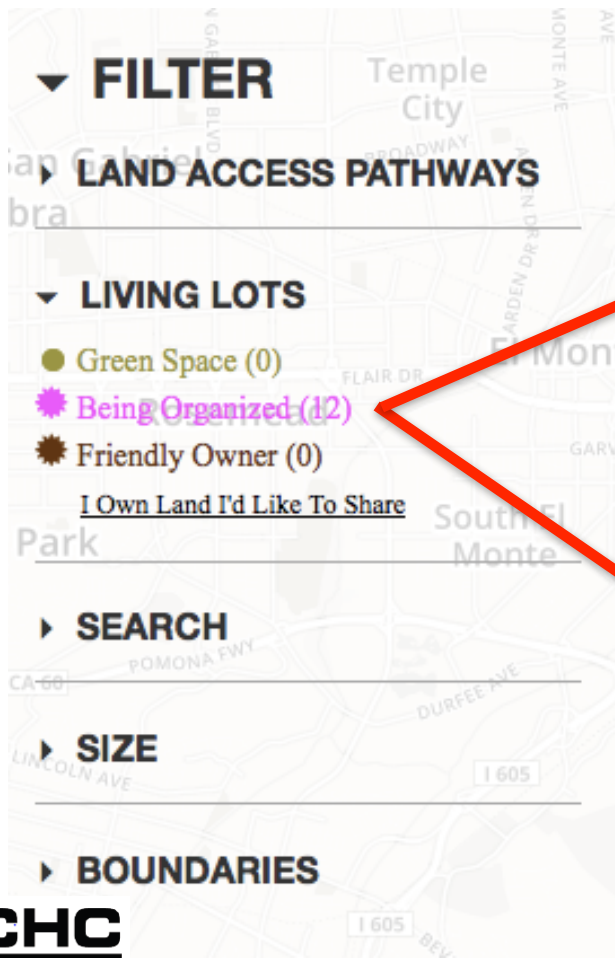
If you want to filter your view to see only privately owned lots or publicly owned lots! Simply pick your poison and click!

By clicking on the lilac privately owned filter, I can inactivate that layer filtering out all of the privately owned lots.

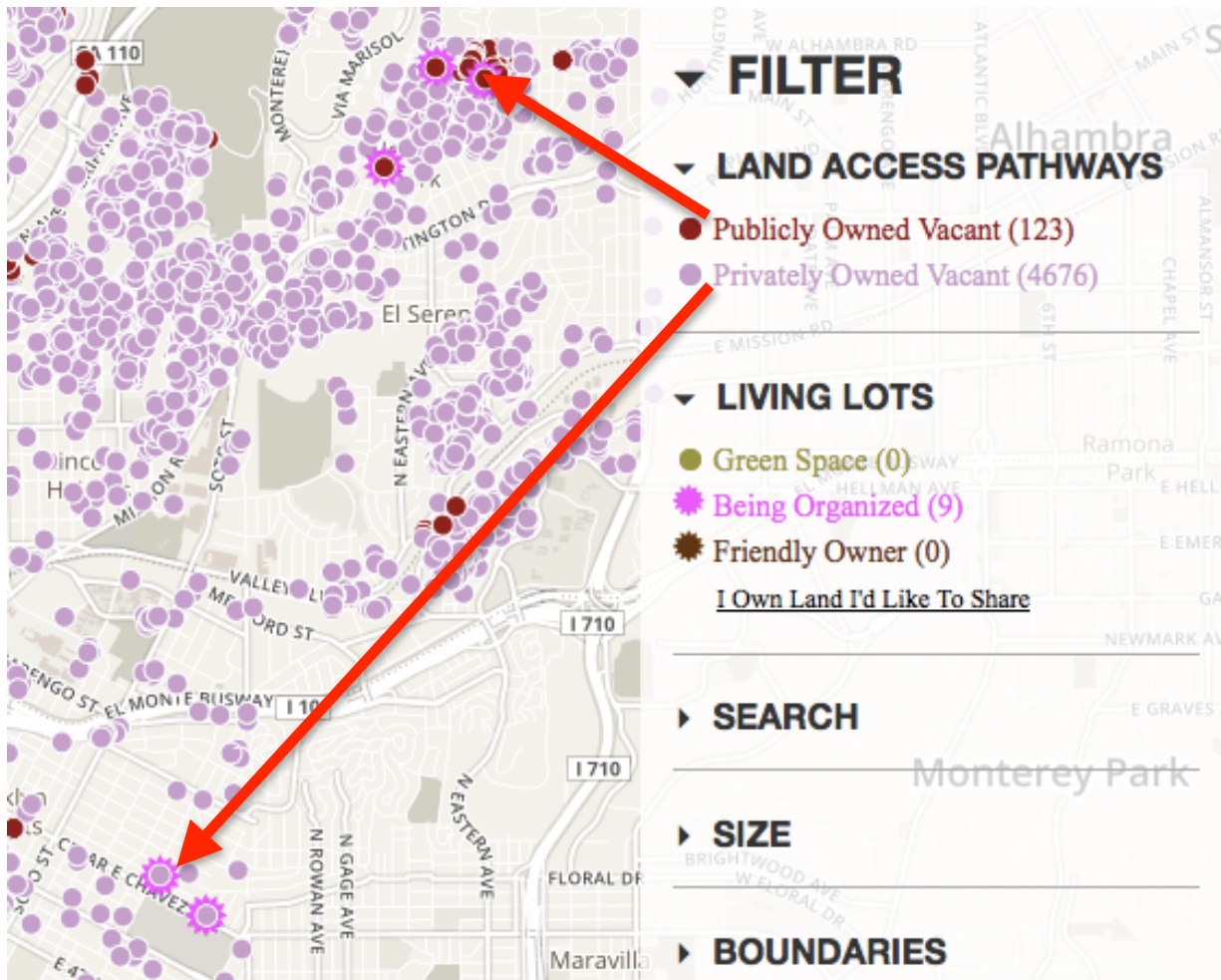
Now my map shows only the publicly owned lots in my view.



If you don't have a lot in mind but want to see what projects are being organized, you can use the "Living Lots" filter to see what is going on.



A starburst will appear around the Publicly or Privately Owned vacant lots.



If you don't have a lot in mind but want to see what is available within a certain area, you can Search by location.

You can also use this feature to look at lots within a ½ mile radius of a specific address.

▼ **FILTER**

▶ **LAND ACCESS PATHWAYS**

▶ **LIVING LOTS**

▼ **SEARCH**

address, intersection, zip

☐ Show only lots within 1/2 mile

Zoning Code

Zoning Code ▼

▶ **SIZE**

▶ **BOUNDARIES**

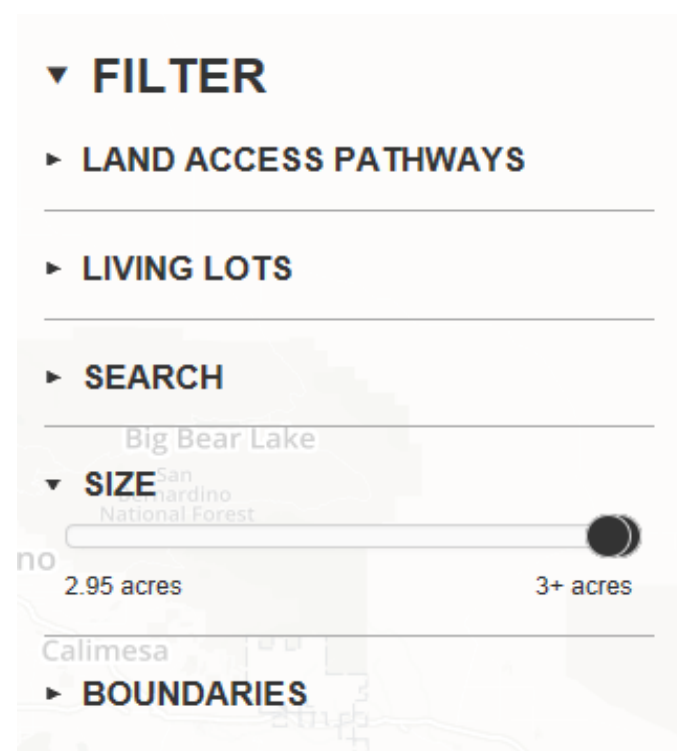
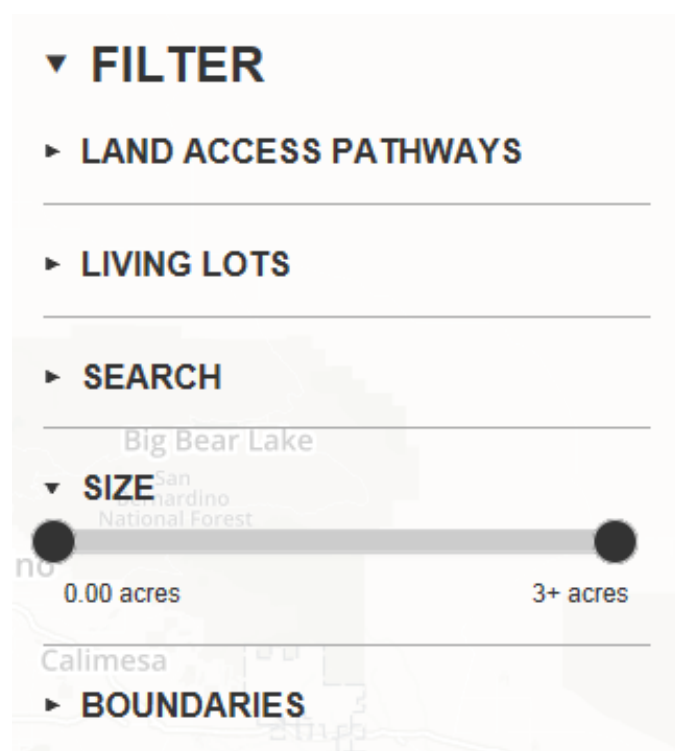
What if you are interested in lots that are zone for specific purposes?

You can use the Zoning Code feature to assist with this.

The screenshot shows a web application interface with a filter menu on the left side of a map. The menu is titled "FILTER" and has a downward arrow. Below it are two expandable sections: "LAND ACCESS PATHWAYS" and "LIVING LOTS", each with a rightward arrow. Below these is a "SEARCH" section, also with a downward arrow. The search section contains a text input field with the placeholder text "address, intersection, zip" and a checkbox labeled "Show only lots within 1/2 mile". Below the search section is a "Zoning Code" section. This section has a label "Zoning Code" and a dropdown menu. The dropdown menu is open, showing a search bar with a magnifying glass icon, followed by the text "Zoning Code" (highlighted in blue), then "Single-Family Residential" (bolded), and a list of codes: R1, RE, RS, RU, RW1, and RZ. At the bottom of the dropdown is "Multi-Family Residential" (bolded). The background of the interface is a map showing a street grid and some labels like "Sheep" and "Ontario".

Depending on your project needs, you can filter lots based on size.

Simply slide the scale to search lots by increased or decreased sizes.

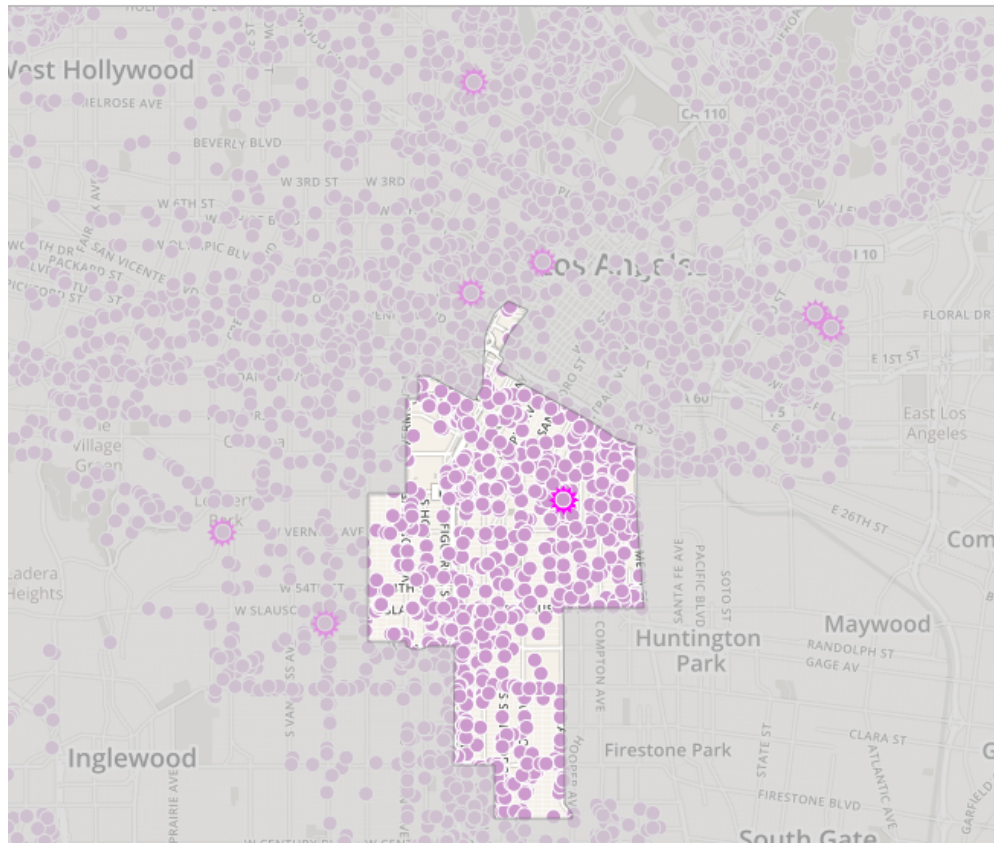


Want to know what vacant lots are in your council district or neighborhood council?

Use the Boundary filter to do find out!



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▼ **FILTER**

- ▶ LAND ACCESS PATHWAYS
- ▶ LIVING LOTS
- ▶ SEARCH
- ▶ SIZE
- ▼ **BOUNDARIES**
 - Council District
 - Neighborhood Council Area
 - Community Plan Area